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Pity the poor alphabet: fettered, a slave to the strict ruler Orthography. Its letters confined to such a small space, their direction predesigned. Never in a single syllable shall an R follow an L, a T come before an F, a B & an N be seen next to each other.

Engrossed in the wonders of the dictionary while creating these Fluxoynms, we were nonetheless disappointed to realize how limited our language is, especially in view of the endless # of ways* in which 26 letters can be combined to form words. The same is true of the romance languages. It seems that Asian & African words require the mouth to move in more interesting ways, but then again, probably all language systems confine their alphabets to a prescribed set of letter combinations.

We see a great need for new words in the English language, in face we have begun to compile a dictionary of neologisms. We urge all potential word builders to destroy old "rules" of orthography, to enrich the language with interesting new sounds as well as meanings. Mblaz Nitrop.

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Semantics Could Vanish
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to the memory of

SOMETHINGENIUS

something
    thin
     hinge
      ingenius

PRAYEASTROLLAMATHEISTEDDFOD

```
pray
 ray
  aye
   yeast
     astroll
       troll
         olla
          llama
            ama
             mat
              atheist
               theist
                heist
                 eisteddfod
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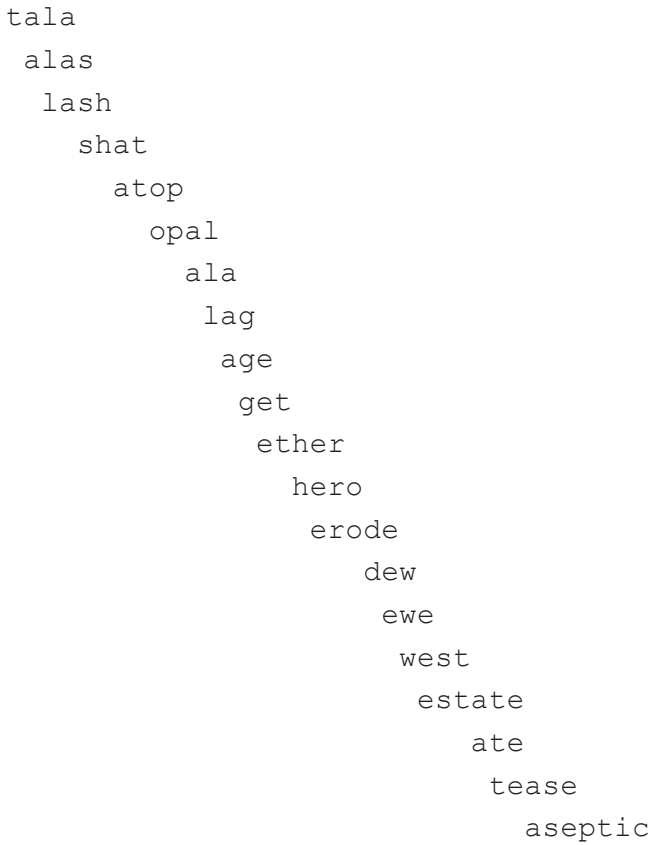
DEVILEXIST

devil
evil
vile
ilex
lexis
exist

TALASHATOPALAGETHERODEWESTATEASEPTIC



KNOWETHICKET

know
now
owe
wet
ethic
thicket
hick

PREACHHEATOMENOUGHT

preach
  each
   ache
    cheat
      eat
       atom
        tome
         omen
          men
           enough
              ought

BEGONEATEARESTRANGER

```
beg
 ego
  gone
   one
    neat
     eat
      ate
       tear
        ear
         are
          rest
           estrange
            stranger
```

PROPENDINGS

prop
 rope
  open
   pending
    endings

BUSEAREDITTO

bus
 use
  sea
   ear
    are
     red
      edit
       ditto
        it

DRAGAGAINT

drag
 raga
  again
   gain
    aint

BRAVENUES

brave
 raven
  avenue
   venues

MASTOREMITEMPOWER

mast
 astor
  store
    ore
     remit
      emit
       mite
        item
         tempo
          empower

TRASHOWEARTH

trash
 rash
  ash
   show
    how
     owe
      wear
       earth

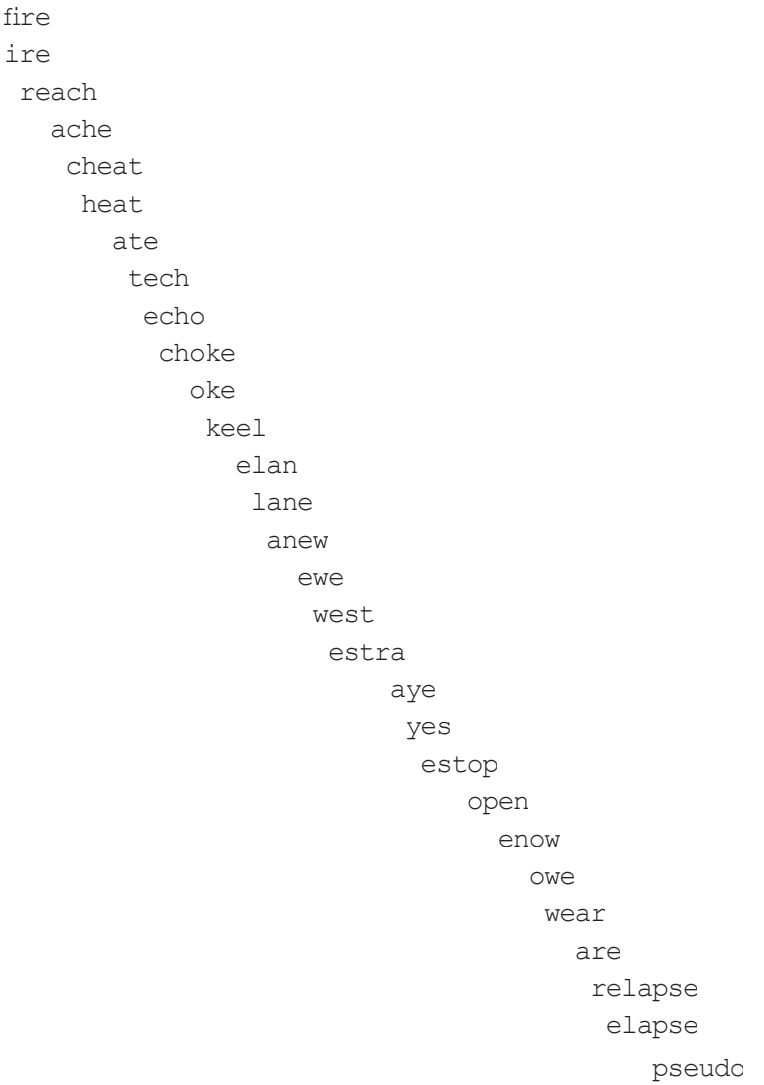
PRICEASEXUAL

price
  ice
   cease
    ease
     asexual
      sexual

LOPALEDHARMA

lop
 opal
  pale
    led
     edh
      dharma
        arm

FIREACHEATECHOKEELANEWESTRAYESOPENOWEARELAPSEUDO



GOATOMENABLEDICTUS

goat
  atom
    omen
      enable
       nab
        able
         bled
           edict
            dict
              ictus

VOMITEMPTY

vomit
 omit
  mite
   item
    tempt
     empty

CLOVERANDA

clover
 lover
  over
   veranda
    era

CLOUTILEUMORPHIC

clout
 lout
   utile
    tile
     ileum
      leu
       eumorphic

SNAILLANOLIN

snail
 nail
   ill
    llano
     lanolin

DEMITALICYCLIC

demit
 emit
   italic
     alicyclic

CUPSLTERY

cups
 ups
  psaltery
   salt
    alter

GNUNEARTHROPOD

```
gnu
 nun
  unearth
   near
    earth
     arthropod
```

FAMISHEARSE

famish
amish
mishear
ish
shear
hearse
ears
arse

GALAPERAGASPAIDEALDORMAN

```
gala
 ala
  lap
   ape
    per
     era
      rag
       aga
        gas
         asp
          spa
           paid
             ideal
              deal
               ealdorman
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Compare this "shrinking poem" by Vasili Kamensky which appeared in his book Roaring Parnassus in 1914:

YA
Izluchistaya
Luchistaya
Chistaya
Istaya
Staya
Taya
Aya
Ya

gaucing lesson

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xexox
sutra
editions
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